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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

TETSUYA YANO ET AL.

Application No.: 09/430,029

Filed: October 29, 1999

For: DNA FRAGMENT CARRYING
TOLUENE MONOOXYGENASE
GENE, RECOMBINANT
PLASMID, TRANSFORMED
MICROORGANISM, METHOD
FOR DEGRADING
CHLORINATED ALIPHATIC
HYDROCARBON COMPOUNDS
AND AROMATIC COMPOUNDS,
AND METHOD FOR
ENVIRONMENTAL
REMEDIATION

Examiner:
Examiner: E. Slobodyansky

Group Art Unit: 1652

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April 8, 2002

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for two (2) months from March 6, 2002 to April 6, 2002 (Saturday)

Submitted herewith is a check for \$ 400.00 to cover the fee for the

extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be

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05 FC:116 charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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